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JOHN COX/Photo editor

Prayer at the pole

More than 100 students gather in the South Quad for the “See You at the Pole” prayer rally 7 a.m. Wednesday. The event was part of a nationwide effort to pray for government.

Former  
employee  
still getting  
a salary

By JOHN FERA  
Senior news reporter

Elise Post hasn’t worked a day at Eastern since last December, but the former director of Human Resources continues to draw monthly checks of more than \$5,000 as she remains on Eastern’s payroll.

Since Post was dismissed from her position in mid-December of last year, she has received once-a-month gross payments of \$5,175, from January through this August, according to Kathy Cutler, a spokeswoman at the state Comptroller’s Office.

So far this calendar year, Post’s gross earnings from the university total \$41,400. Before leaving Eastern, Post had a \$60,000-a-year salary based on a 12-month administrative contract.

Cutler said Post is still listed on Eastern’s payroll. Shelly Flock, director of information, said she “has no idea” how long Post will continue to draw monthly checks from Eastern.

Marlyn Finley, who was acting vice president for Business Affairs last fall, said the financial settlement between the university and Post was handled by Eastern President David Jorns and the President’s Office.

Finley said he has no idea how much longer Post will

Student fees, housing to rise

BOG to vote on 5.9 percent housing hike

By BETSY COLE  
Campus editor

The Board of Governors today will vote on a proposed 5.9 percent increase in student housing costs.

The Bond Revenue Committee and Eastern’s Housing and Dining Services, made the recommendation to the BOG to raise housing costs, said Mark Shaklee, associate director of housing.

The committee consists of members from the Residence Hall Association and the Student Senate, Shaklee said.

Currently, costs for living in residence halls and Greek Court are \$1,562 a semester under the 11-meal plan, \$1,587 under the 14-meal plan and \$1,622 under the 18-meal plan, Shaklee said.

With the 5.9 percent increase, students would have to pay \$92, \$94 and \$95 more a semester, under each respective meal plan.

This cost covers all meals and utilities other than long-distance phone calls.

The current cost of University Court varies from \$1,414 to \$1,728 per person for a nine-month contract. The cost depends on the number of bathrooms and bedrooms and whether the apartment includes a balcony, Shaklee said.

With the 5.9 percent increase, University Court rates would raise between \$80 to \$110.

University Court residents pay their own water and electric as

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Proposed room, board rates for Illinois schools per semester		
School	Current rate	Proposed rate
■ Eastern Ill.*	\$1,587	\$1,681
■ Western Ill.	\$1,706.50	\$1,806.50
■ Southern Ill Carbondale	\$1,676	\$1,736
■ Southern Ill. Edwardsville	\$1,730	\$1,807
■ University of Ill. Champaign-Urbana	\$2,196	\$2,212
■ University of Ill. Chicago	\$2,594	\$2,687
* based on 14 meal plan		

well as long-distance phone bills, Shaklee said.

Rent for University Apartments, which are family and graduate housing, will increase by \$16 a month, he added. University Apartments currently cost \$270 a month for an efficiency apartment and \$290 a month for a one-bedroom apartment.

Housing costs were increased by 5.8 percent last year, Shaklee said. Both increases are needed to improve the university.

“In (both last and this year’s increase), a lot of the increased revenue is going toward renovation projects,” Shaklee said.

Shaklee said 46 percent of the new revenue from the proposed housing hike is targeted for renovation and other facility improvements such as air conditioning, heating, drapes

and painting.

“The Bond Revenue Committee along with the Housing Department and the Physical Plant made priority recommendations and will continue to do so in the future,” Shaklee said. “It’s too early to set rates.

“The list we have of things that need to be done far exceed the money available, so we have to set priorities,” he added.

Unlike our tuition increase, Eastern’s housing increase would be the lowest of surrounding schools, Shaklee said.

“We are currently the lowest in housing rates and we will continue to be even with the increase,” he said.

The BOG will vote today on a 4.3 percent increase in tuition, which is the highest among the five BOG schools.

Senate passes \$22 in hikes

By SCOTT BOEHMER  
Student government editor

The Student Senate sent with its blessing Wednesday \$20 worth of student fee increases that will be delivered to the Board of Governor’s today for final approval.

The increases, if approved by the BOG, would raise student fees from \$391.20 to \$413.20 per semester for full-time students – giving the school more than \$480,000 in new money. The board will also vote on an \$85 tuition increase proposal at its meeting in Springfield.

All of the proposed fee increases passed unanimously except a \$4 Martin Luther King Jr. University Union fee increase proposal. A \$10 for computer technology, \$5 for athletics and \$5 for Health Service all passed. Each increase is per semester.

The BOG will also consider a \$2 per semester Grant-in-Aid increase not voted on by the senate.

Each increase was voted on individually. The proposed Union increase failed 6-21, with two abstentions.

“Four dollars is \$80,000 a year,” senate member Jeff Zilch said. “If you think you can justify that on wallpaper and some expensive pictures, I have to disagree.”

However, Ted Hart, assistant director of the Union, said the Union fee would have gone toward repairing the union driveway, as well as completing other building projects.

“If you were at the (student information table) more than one

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constituents support (the Union fee),” said Brian Anderson, a junior accounting major and audience member who spoke against the proposal.

The athletic fee increase will give the Athletic Department would get more than \$100,000 a year added to fee revenue of more than \$720,000 a year.

At least 80 percent of the increase will go toward compliance with Title IX under the resolution. Title IX is a regulation requiring colleges to maintain gender equity in their athletic programs.

Senate member Rick Tucker said the athletic increase was necessary to ensure that Title IX would be complied with and no sports would have to be cut in the process. Last year, men’s swimming and wrestling team was officially cut from Eastern’s program, but then later reinstated.

The Health Service hike will go toward reduction of a \$86,000 deficit for this year. The deficit is the result of additional payments to retired employees, the purchase of an air-conditioning unit and salary increases.

Along with next year’s Technology fee, the senate passed a \$5 hike for fiscal year 1998, which will go toward updating computers.

About 25 students came to the meeting. About nine of them spoke, the majority telling the Student Senate to pass the athletic fee.

“It’s not just a representation of our athletes, it’s a representation of the university,” Tim Carver, co-captain of the football team, said of what the fee hike means to the school.

# POST

from page one

Eastern’s payroll because he wasn’t involved in the negotiations.

After conferring with Morgan Olsen, vice president for Business Affairs and Jorns, Flock said the university is not willing to discuss the payments issued to Post because Jorns considers the payments a “personnel matter.”

Attempts to contact Jorns Wednesday were unsuccessful.

Since her dismissal from Eastern, Post has moved to Champaign. When contacted Wednesday, Post said she “did not want to say anything” about her salary nor her employment at Eastern.

As a result of several personnel changes in Human Resources last December, Post was dismissed from her Eastern position as Human Resources director. Patricia Hill was reassigned from her Human Resources job as Personnel Officer IV to become an administrative assistant in Lumpkin College of Business.

Hill still makes the same salary she made in Human Resources.

Also, Joyce Craft, who made \$14.43 hourly and \$27,837 last year as Personnel Officer II, was promoted to Personnel Officer III and given a raise to \$15.30 hourly. Through August, Craft earned \$21,826, according to comptroller’s records.

Also, Lloyd Leonard, who made \$15.79 hourly and \$30,197 last year as Personnel Officer III, was promoted to Personnel Officer IV and now makes \$18.76 hourly and has grossed \$29,963 from January through August, according to comptroller records.

Human Resources has served without a permanent full-time director since January. In late August, Paul Michaud, associate vice president for personnel management and development at Clemson University in Clemson, S.C., accepted the job. He will begin work on Oct. 2.

Despite all the personnel changes in Human Resources, Hill said she had nothing to do with Post’s dismissal, although Hill admits that she and Post “had our differences.”

Hill said the decision to dismiss Post was made by Jorns.

“I was surprised that (Post) was still getting paid,” Hill said. “I’m not unhappy about my reassignment. If you look around, a lot of people have left Human Resources.”

Johnetta Jones, director of Minority Affairs, said she and Post became close friends when Post worked at Eastern. Besides Jones, Post was one of the few African-American administrators at the university.

“Elise was a hard-working person. The lady was not lazy,” Jones said. “She worked late hours and would come to work early in the morning and sometimes she’d work until 7:30 at night. I know, because I’d often see her out in the parking lot. She believed in doing her job.”

Since Post left Eastern, Jones said she has limited contact with her. Even when Post managed Human Resources, she rarely spoke about her day-to-day experiences at Eastern, Jones said.

“It was her wishes not to talk about the job and Eastern, and so I didn’t,” Jones said. “She was one hurt lady when she left here.”



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## Magazines computer accessible at Booth

By AMY DAVIS  
Staff writer

Eastern students can now read magazines without even turning the pages. InfoTrac's Expanded Academic Index, a new online database available at Booth Library, provides immediate access to the texts of 900 academic magazines and journals. The index, which is updated monthly, is an online database that covers scholarly magazines from 1992 to the current issue.

Booth Library, one of several test sites in Illinois universities, has a one-year free trial of the service that allows students to "let their fingers do the walking," said reference librarian Karen Whisler.

Students can log on to InfoTrac automatically in the library reference room, said Whisler. InfoTrac is different from Illinet Online because students can call up the text of many of the citations, she added.

Students can read magazine texts on the computer screen or print out the information they need, Whisler said.

"The students will love it," she said. "I'm just concerned that we won't have enough computer terminals."

Whisler said the free trial is an especially good opportunity for Eastern because InfoTrac usually costs universities between \$24,000 and \$36,000 a year.

"We would love to keep InfoTrac next year, but the price is too high," she said. "We don't have that kind of money right now."

The Illinois Library Computer System Organization made a deal with InfoTrac to get free trials of the system for several Illinois universities, Whisler said.

"The vendors see us as a prime market," Whisler said. "It's beneficial for us and them."

"InfoTrac is a wonderful service that we're glad to have for the next year."

## Illinois second in executions

CREST HILL (AP) – With the death by lethal injection of convicted killer Charles Albanese, Illinois ranks second among the states in executions this year, but it has a long way to go to catch Texas.

The former McHenry businessman, convicted in the arsenic murders of three relatives, became the fourth inmate executed this year.

Missouri and Oklahoma have each had three executions thus far in 1995. Nationwide, 41 convicts have been put to death.

The execution early Wednesday of Albanese at Stateville Correctional Center came just 24 hours after Texas officials executed convicted killer Carl Johnson who, like Albanese, proclaimed his innocence to the end.

Johnson was the 14th inmate put to death in Texas this year and the 99th since Texas resumed executions in 1982.

# Jorns wants to stay at Eastern for career

By CHAD GALLAGHER  
Administration editor

Eastern President David Jorns said he has full intentions of finishing his administrative career as Eastern's president even though speculations of his departure have risen over the past year.

"I have no plans to seek employment anywhere else," Jorns said. "The only reason I would leave is if I were asked to, or I was compelled to leave by circumstances beyond my control."

Jorns said his interview for university president at the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls this summer was a "peculiar and unusual" experience.

"I only looked elsewhere because I felt I owed it to my family to test the waters, due to the fact that I was receiving pressure (to be dismissed) from members of the (Board of Governors)," he said.

Last March, members of the BOG initiated conversation about removing Jorns from his presidency after Jorns announced plans to reorganize Institutional Advancement and revamp the relationship between the university and the Foundation, Eastern's multi-million dollar fund-raising arm.

Foundation members were concerned that the reorganization would interfere with the effectiveness and strength of the Foundation.

Upon speculation of Jorns' possible dismissal, faculty and students defended and supported Jorns, ending the discussion of his dismissal.

"I don't anticipate having to



David Jorns

seek employment anywhere else," Jorns said. "I don't foresee any kind of problem similar to what happened this summer."

Jorns said when he first began as president in 1992, he had anticipated staying five or six years at Eastern but changed his mind because of the fondness he has developed for the community and university.

"I really love this place, and I feel privileged and blessed to work here," Jorns said. "My plans are to retire in Coles County."

Jorns said he wants to retire from Eastern in about 10 years, because he thinks a president's effectiveness may lessen after a number of years.

"I would like to get out of administration at age 59," Jorns said. "It's a stressful job, but I handle stress pretty well because I try not to take it home with me."

"After 10 years, one's effectiveness in a position like this is questionable," he added. "It may be time for someone to come in with some fresh ideas."

Jorns said he would like to return to the classroom to teach theater when he retires from administration. However, Jorns said, once he leaves Eastern, he will not return.

"When I cross Lincoln Avenue, I'll stay across," Jorns said. "The only thing that is certain when I retire is that I'll get a Golden Retriever and name it Bill."

# Lincoln debates didn't affect sales

By SHALANDA HEDRICK  
Staff writer

Downtown business owners didn't notice an increase in sales this past weekend despite the Lincoln-Douglas Days being held on the Square.

Bob Pearson, owner of Little Mexico, 513 Seventh St., said the debate created no big booms in business for his restaurant.

But restaurants were not the only businesses left lacking weekend sales. John Moore, manager of Mack Moore Shoe Store, 610 Jackson Ave., said although the event was interesting, business did not change.

The debates, in their second year, featured vendors in several areas, including arts, crafts and antiques. The attractions and vendors were set up on the streets surrounding the Coles County Courthouse.

Neither Pearson nor Moore would comment as to the effect the vendors may have had on their lack of business.

Janet Messenger, a tourism planning committee member, said the committee members tried not to have any vendors whose goods competed with the local businesses.

"I think it is a very worthwhile festival, I think it will grow and I was pleased with the quality of activities that were offered," Messenger said. "(The vendors) were to add enrichment and variety."

Messenger said the only future event being planned for the Square is a Holiday Light extravaganza which will outline the buildings around the Square, Coles County Courthouse and Kiwanis Park. The activity will begin Nov. 17 and will conclude Jan. 1, 1996.

## Corrections

John Ferak's Tuesday column stated that one-to-two foot tall marijuana plants would not be spotted by a police helicopter. However, attorney Dale Righter, who prosecutes East Central Illinois Drug Task Force cases, said these plants would be obvious to spot from the sky.

In Wednesday's edition, the wrong date was listed for the Latin American Student Organization's guest speaker. Fernando Arias, manager of Food Machinery and Chemical Corp., will speak at 7 p.m. tonight in Phipps Lecture Hall in the Physical Science Building.

The News regrets these errors.

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# Opinion page

Editorials are the opinion of the Editorial Board.  
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## Student fee board should scrutinize groups' requests

For the next few Tuesdays, student organizations will be approaching the Apportionment Board to ask for additional allocations to supplement their budgets.

Unfortunately, if the first two weeks are any indication, student groups are going to be unnecessarily rich.

In the last two weeks, the board has allocated \$2,500 to itself to pay the salary of an AB secretary, \$1,050 to the Office of Student Life to upgrade the classification of the secretary for the Student Activity Center, and \$2,285 to the University Union Board to install a big screen television and

sound system to the Rathskeller.

But these allocations are just the beginning. The AB will be hearing requests from the University Board, the Division of Sports and Recreation, the Student Government and itself.

The board receives more than \$320,000 a year in student fees thanks to a \$14.50 a semester fee. It also has a reserve account of \$114,000 from which the additional allocations may be drawn.

Instead of casually giving out money to anyone who asks, the board should be frugal in its allocations and not deplete the reserve account.

AB Chairman Matt Herman said four different organizations have already approached him outside of meetings to make requests.

Herman, who is also the vice president for financial affairs, and the board need to be leery of groups asking for money for frivolous or unnecessary expenditures. The board needs to ask pointed questions about where and how the requested money will be spent, whether the money could be obtained by cutting spending in other areas and whether the allocation is something students would support.

To justify the additional allocation for the Rathskeller renovations, Herman simply said "whoever gave the estimate (last year) for remodeling was off."

But whose problem is that: the students', the university's or the contractor's? No one will know, but the students will pay.

Before allocating money to every organization that comes calling, Herman and the board should ask specific questions and demand sufficient answers.

## “today's quote

One who is serious all day will never have a good time, while one who is frivolous all day will never establish a household.

— Ptahhotpe

## Commuters lose in campus parking plan

As a freshman commuter from Mattoon, I have encountered a recurring problem on Eastern's campus — parking.

Recently I was issued a ticket for parking in a Student/Staff lot. One can imagine my disbelief since I had not been notified that, as an underclassmen, I only had access to either the O'Brien Stadium lot or the Ninth Street lot by Greek Court. Last week I learned two other lots were being opened to underclassmen because more student stickers were being sold, which should prove to overcrowd even those new lots.

My parking ticket was eliminated since I was not informed of my parking privileges or lack thereof. Although my immediate problem ended there, the prolonged problem for myself, as well as all other commuting underclassmen, still persists.

As a commuter, I would like to submit my concerns about parking for commuters on Eastern's campus:

■ Price. I understand from reading an outdated pamphlet I received that commuters used to be allowed a deferment. At that time a commuter was charged only \$35, not \$150. I do understand that higher parking prices are a deterrent to underclassmen living on campus that want to bring their cars from home. However, it seems to establish a deterrent to prospective students from the area to commute to Eastern.

As a commuter, I am asking administrators to please review the \$150 parking fee assessed to all underclassmen commuters and consider the necessity of a commuter to park. It is not a choice for us.

■ Limited parking. By the time I reach campus every morning, I am lucky to find an available parking space anywhere, including the assigned lots for underclassmen. The lots near Greek Court and Carman are filled every morning at 8 a.m., though free spots are randomly available, as the University Police has noticed. But I do not come to Eastern to circle for a



TRACI CASTLE  
Guest columnist

*"But I do not come to Eastern to circle for a parking spot. I am here for an education."*

parking spot. I am here for an education.

As for the Stadium lot, I find that it is either full, unusable (Thursday afternoons), or plainly farther than walking from a side street. Frankly, had I been informed as to the lack of parking, considering the high amount I pay as a commuter, I would not have bought a parking sticker.

In the future I will not buy one, and I will discourage other com-

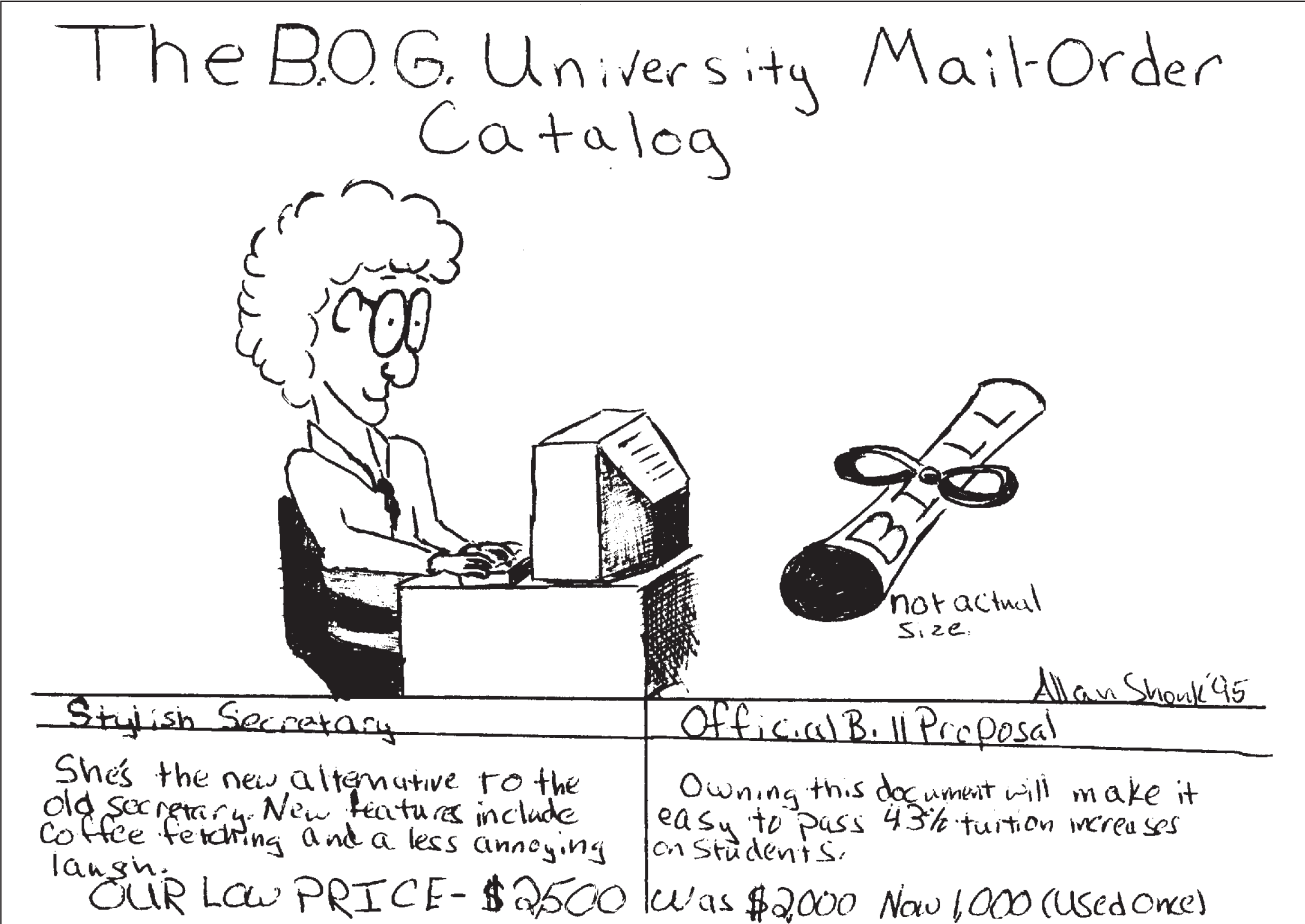
muters to buy a \$150 parking sticker if the problem persists.

As a solution, I would hope you would consider giving all students the opportunity to park in all lots. If the availability exists on Thursdays for me to park in any lot, why is it not all other times? My point is, we are all students here and all pay our fees and tuition, the difference is: upperclassmen are paying less and have more parking, while I as a freshman commuter get what is left over from those underclassmen who live on campus and rarely move their cars.

But who can blame them? I made a choice to come to Eastern, but now as a commuter I still have to pay a fee that was not assessed to commuters last year. Why?

In conclusion, I would hope and be relieved to know that this situation is only in a temporary or probationary state, or a simple oversight by the Parking Committee. As commuter parking has always been a problem, prices used to be reasonable. However, this year I think that consideration must be taken as to the high cost and unavailability of parking for commuters. I did not, nor did others, come to Eastern to fight our friends for parking spots or try to beat the system. We want to park our cars at a reasonable price. Is that so wrong?

— Traci Castle is a freshman speech communication and journalism major and a guest columnist for The Daily Eastern News.



## Death row inmate looking for someone to answer his plea

Dear editor:

This letter will likely be one of the most unusual you've read. I sincerely hope it doesn't offend or repulse you.

This is more of an urgent plea than a question or request, as my community ties are virtually none. I am an inmate on death row at Arizona State Prison.

I've been on death row for 10 years fighting for a new trial for a crime I was convicted of and that I did not commit. I know that everybody says that they didn't do it regardless if they did or not, and I guess that makes it hard for those who are truly innocent.

I have been studying law since I got here simply because I can't see myself sitting here hoping someone else will look into my innocence.

Law study is also how I occupy my mind. But even then, without some sort of free world communication, life becomes suffocating.

Death row has to be the ultimate loneliness and despair for anyone to conceive even in a mere thought. To

## your turn

share views and opinions with others can cast great light where now there is nothing but darkness and gloom.

Would you please consider placing this in your campus paper as it may result in correspondence or pen pal? I don't know what else to say other than would you please consider my plea? My prisoner number is 49340, and my address is Arizona State Prison, P.O. Box 8600, Florence, Ariz., 85232.

I thank you for your time and understanding.

Bernard Smith

## Columnist is the one who is really afraid

Dear editor:

This is in response to Chris Seper's column entitled "Is this the land of No Fear? Thank again" in the Sept. 14 edition of The Daily Eastern News.

We don't live in a state of euphoria. In fact, something is usually going wrong even when all seems to be going well. No Fear gear is made for the optimistic, life-loving, competitive

spirit only. It is not made for some poor sap in his early 20s who bitches about life's little trivialities like an aching 70-year-old man (who is stealing our Social Security)! Even though I am concerned about the future of our generation, I'm not going to push it off on some clothing company and say that my generation is in denial. Besides, by the popularity of No Fear, I'd have to say that it must be generating a lot of revenue for that economy we're having so much trouble with.

Finally, I have a few more slogans for Seper's "new reality-based fashion line." But rather than selling to the public, he should keep these all to himself:

- I hate this country, it sucks. No Life.
- Losing is the greatest feeling in the world. No Guts (in regard to his first line).
- I really don't see anything good in this world anymore. No Kidding.
- I don't need no stinking competitive spirit. No Balls.

And here is a real one from our good people at No Fear:

- Don't let your fears stand in the way of your dreams. No Fear.

Kert McAfee



## Red Cross: Donations needed to maintain area blood supply

The complete blood donation

Part of the blood collected at this week's drive will be sent to the Missouri/Illinois Blood Services Region to help replenish their supply.



*Ernie Whitworth of the art department installs magazine articles about Jerry Garcia (1942-1995) Wednesday afternoon on a wall in Tarble Arts Center. The display is part of the 1995 Art Faculty Exhibition, which begins Sunday at 2 p.m. and runs until Oct. 29.*

# Faculty, staff art on display at Tarble

“The tradition was just continued when the Tarble Arts Center took over,” Watts added.

"The focus of the lecture is creativity," said Joseph Manfredo, an Eastern professor of music. "This meeting is going to be a lecture and demonstration on how to

The lecture, titled “What It Takes to Produce a Documentary,” will be at 7:30 p.m. in Room 122

Several of Lindvahl's documentaries have been featured on cable

Lindvahl's recent documentary, "They Served with Honors," is about World War II and the impact it had on the lives of Effingham County residents.

# Σ **Sigma Nu's** Ν *Jamaican Night*

An illustration depicting a lively Jamaican night scene. In the center-left, a man with dreadlocks, wearing a striped bucket hat and sunglasses, is shown from the waist up, playing a large, decorated drum. To his right, another man in a simple loincloth is captured in a dynamic dance pose, holding a small object. In the background, several palm trees stand on a sandy beach. Other smaller figures are visible in the distance, some appearing to be dancing or playing instruments. The overall style is a hand-drawn sketch.

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# Blind students share their unique lives

By CHRIS HOLLY  
Staff writer

Eastern graduate student John McDaniel has jumped out of airplanes 24 times in the past four years.

“Free falling was a head rush,” said McDaniel, who did all of his skydiving in Maryland. “You’re plummeting at about 120 mph for 5,500 feet.”

McDaniel is blind, and he hopes that doesn’t surprise you.

“Blindness is simply a physical characteristic, like hair color,” McDaniel said. “You don’t say ‘Hey, there’s a brown-haired person over there.’”

Blind people have different attitudes, beliefs, goals and dreams. And Eastern’s three completely blind students are no different. Their interests range from skydiving to shopping to social work.

“We’re as diverse as non-blind people,” junior Krista Erickson said. “We have diverse interests. I don’t ever think I’d go skydiving, but that’s very cool.”

As these blind students will tell you, their lives involve everything from singer Vince Gill to Haitian refugees.

Erickson flew to Haiti last December to meet the Haitian people and “experience the conditions they have to live under.”

“It was phenomenal – a life changing event,” Erickson said.

As a skydiver, McDaniel said his blindness doesn’t usually cause any problems – but that isn’t always the case.

“The first few times (I went skydiving), I went tandem, but then I went all by myself,” McDaniel said. “We used a radio so they could help to guide me down. The last time, the



## More to life than sight

Photos courtesy of John McDaniel

Eastern student John McDaniel glides beneath his jumpmaster after pulling the rip cord for his parachute in Maryland. The blind graduate student has skydived 24 times. On one occasion, a radio that McDaniel used for guidance malfunctioned, and he crash-landed on a roof. “Blindness is simply a physical characteristic . . . like brown hair,” 27-year-old McDaniel said.

rial that I can’t access.”

Erickson said she started to learn Braille at the age 3. By age 6, she had mastered the art.

Regina Arnold, a senior hospitality major, also learned Braille.

“It really wasn’t that hard,” Arnold said.

More difficult than learning Braille may be learning to adapt to a visual society, the students said.

Erickson said blindness has always been a part of her life and she’s learned to accept it.

“I’ve been blind my whole life, so I’ve learned to accept it,” she said. “It can be a little frustrating, because society is so visually orientated, but I have to accept it and go on with life.”

### Challenges and Inspirations

But Erickson hasn’t let it stand in the way of her dreams or her travels.

Erickson is con-

sidering becoming a social worker and volunteered this summer in a poor neighborhood in Worcester, Mass. She created nature activities for children, stocked a food pantry and organized meetings in the community that dealt with welfare and unemployment.

Arnold said it’s sometimes difficult to deal with her blindness, which was caused by a detached retina.

“It’s been OK,” Arnold said. “Sometimes it bothers me when I am with a big group of people, and they are all laughing at something that has got to do with sight. It makes me feel a little down.”

Arnold said she finds strength and enjoyment in her Christian faith. “I like to go to church and read the Bible,” she said.

Arnold said she feels inspired by certain types of music. When she’s down, Arnold said she listens to her musical idol, Vince Gill — “I love

that man’s voice,” she said.

Arnold looks to her grandmother, parents and friends as role models for her life.

Erickson said she is inspired by people with “I-can-do-it attitudes – the people I know who have the same will to work through things with a smile.”

Arnold said many people have been drawn to her by her achievements and her condition.

“My blindness has had a good effect on my social life,” Arnold said.

dealing with it,” McDaniel said. “It’s me.”

### A Blinding Sense of Humor

Although these three students are without their sight, they haven’t lost their sense of humor.

“Unless somebody is really trying to upset me, I don’t get upset,” Arnold said. “A lot of times I make jokes myself. When I went to the School for the Blind in Chicago, people used to joke with each other, ‘What’s the matter, are you blind or something?’”

McDaniel said good jokes about

## “Free falling was a head rush.”

“I get a lot of people who are amazed at what I can do and what I have accomplished.”

On the other hand, she said some people aren’t so friendly and helpful.

“I was walking down the stairs talking to a friend of mine, when this girl almost walked into me,” said Arnold. “She said, ‘Excuse me’ and acted like she couldn’t tell I was blind. It’s just inconsiderate people like that which really make me mad.”

McDaniel has been blind since the age of 9 because of a condition called optic atrophy, in which fluid pressure damages the optic nerves. He said he’s learned to accept blindness as a part of his life.

“I really haven’t had any trouble

blindness need good intentions.

“Usually it depends on the situation, the person, and the reason that the joke is told,” said McDaniel.

McDaniel said his friends made some entertaining comments about his neon yellow skydiving jump suit. “My jump suit is pretty blinding, they tell me,” he said with a grin.

Arnold jokes about how similar she is to other women in the area of shopping. “Just like any girl, I love my credit cards.”

Although all blind people are unique, the treatment they desire from others is the same.

“I just want to be treated with kindness and respect, which every person here deserves,” McDaniel said.



SHERYL SUE SIDWELL/Associate photo editor

Eastern junior Krista Erickson reads her Braille notes from class. Erickson volunteered this summer in Worcester, Mass., where she conducted children’s programs and neighborhood workshops, and stocked a food pantry. She also traveled to Haiti last year to meet the Haitian people and “experience the conditions they have to live under.”

radio malfunctioned, and I came down on a guy’s roof. I caused quite a bit of damage, but only hurt some muscles in my back and sprained my ankle.”

### Different, but the Same

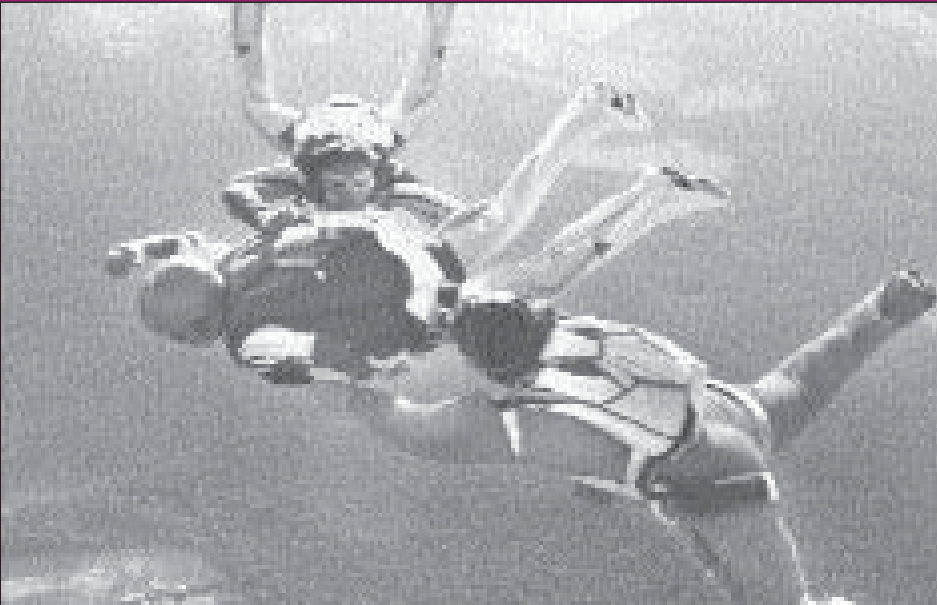
McDaniel said his main academic problem is the same as most students – “procrastination.”

But there are some other difficulties that blind students face that aren’t shared by all students.

Erickson, a sociology major, says her greatest trouble is with the written material that she covers daily in her classes.

Erickson said material “has to be read to me or somebody has to translate it into Braille,” which is a series of raised letters that can be read with the fingertips.

“Most days the hardest thing to keep up with is the reading,” Erickson said. “There is so much written mate-



Eastern student John McDaniel, center, floats in the grasp of two jumpmasters. A few moments later, McDaniel drifted down and landed on his own with the help of a radio.



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RESIDENCE HALL ASSOCIATION will have a weekly meeting today at 5 p.m. in Taylor Hall. Early dinner at 4:15.

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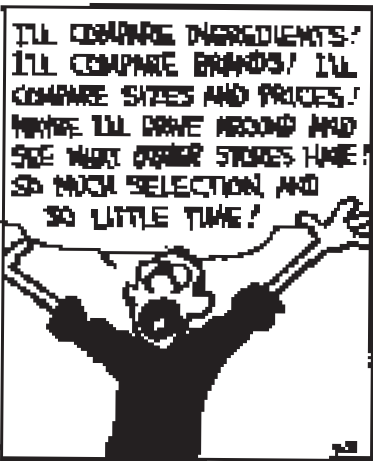
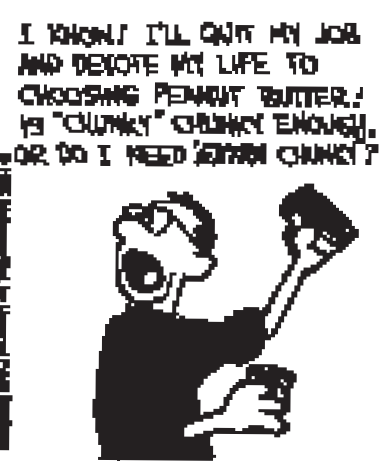


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# Volleyball squad loses again

## Drops sixth straight match

By **MATT ERICKSON**  
Staff writer

The Eastern volleyball team tried to put an end to a five-match losing skid Wednesday in Peoria, but instead suffered its sixth consecutive loss, falling to the Bradley University Braves.

Head coach Betty Ralston said that her squad gave a good effort throughout the match, but a typical slow start in the first game of the match helped lead to the Panthers' loss.

The Panthers (4-9) dropped the match in four games by scores of 6-15, 18-20, 15-12, 11-15. In game one, Eastern was down 1-11 at one point before battling back.

"We had a really good team effort tonight," Ralston said. "We even scored first in the first game, but we're getting famous for our

slow starts and we had another one tonight."

The second game proved to be the crucial game of the match, Ralston said. The Panthers found themselves down 3-10 early in the match. But Ralston's corps mounted a comeback and the game was tied several times.

"We were able to tie the game at 14, 15, 16 and 18," Ralston said. "But they were actually up 16-15 and we got a sideout. We just couldn't get to 16 to go ahead of them."

The 18-20 contest was the longest game the Panthers have played this season. And Ralston said that playing conditions in Robertson Fieldhouse contributed to the game's length.

"It was absolutely freezing in that gym," Ralston said. "Our kids had their coats and sweatshirts on on the sidelines the whole time. That was just a really long game."

Ralston said that her team showed some good signs by playing strong in the third game, the

team's lone win of the night. But after the 15-12 game-three win, Eastern could not pull out game four.

"They could have backed down in the fourth game," Ralston said. "But they came out really strong. We just couldn't get things going in the fourth game."

Junior Vanessa Wells was the Panthers' offensive and defensive leader against the Braves. The outside hitter recorded 15 kills and 21 digs in four games. Other contributors for Eastern's offensive attack were Lindsey Celba (11 kills, 19 digs) and Amy Poynton (10 kills, .290 hitting percentage).

The Panthers were outthit by the Braves .218 to .129 and Bradley notched 70 kills to Eastern's 49. Another statistic Ralston said helped lead to the loss was Eastern's service game.

"In the first game, after we were up 1-0, four of our first six servers committed service errors," Ralston said. "When you do that, it doesn't bode well for the rest of the match."

# Cards win possible Three Rivers finale

PITTSBURGH (AP) – The St. Louis Cardinals and the franchise's uncertain future ruined the Pittsburgh Pirates' last home game – maybe, forever – as Terry Bradshaw's two-run triple led an 9-3 victory Wednesday night.

The Pirates, unable to attract a buyer for 13 months, may be sold and moved if California newspaper heir Kevin McClatchy can't close a deal by Friday. Two would-be buyers who would relocate the team – possibly to Washington, D.C. – are poised to buy if McClatchy's bid fails.

The 11,190 fans, dampened by a persistent rain and the Cardinals' five-run fourth inning, saved their cheers mostly for pro-Pirates' banners. The biggest ovation came when the

stadium scoreboard displayed a sign reading, "The Bucs Stay Here." Another read, "Mr. Sarni, Don't Sell Our Team Away," a reference to Pirates chairman Vincent Sarni.

In the ninth, the fans were standing and cheering "Keep the Bucs." The game was almost an afterthought as fans scurried to buy extra programs and final-game souvenirs. Some fans bought extra, unused tickets as souvenirs should a franchise that has operated continuously in Pittsburgh since 1887 be moved.

Orlando Merced, chosen earlier as the Pirates' 1995 MVP, had a two-run double in the first off Mike Morgan (7-7), but Rick White (1-2), just back from Triple-A Calgary, couldn't hold the lead.

## GATEWAY

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Northern Iowa head coach Terry Allen's team got off to an 0-2 start before dismantling Lock Haven 55-10 last week. The Panthers, who have won or shared five straight Gateway titles, are perennial challengers for the title.

"I think we can make a run for it again. We're going to try and play the best that we can play," Allen said of his team which is ranked No. 21 in Division I-AA. "I said all along that I thought it (conference) was going to be very, very competitive."

Eastern head coach Bob Spoo responded to questions about his squad's 3-0 start. Spoo explained that while Eastern has not played

some of the top notch programs that other Gateway schools have this season, he is glad to have beaten "some quality I-AA programs."

"I couldn't have necessarily predicted 3-0, but we're pleased with our progress," Spoo said. "We need to pick up in the area of the passing game, but we are controlling the ball in these first three games. We're giving up some yards against the pass, so we need to tighten up a little there."

Spoo said Southwest has the ability to move the ball through the air.

"I do have a high regard for their quarterbacks' abilities," Spoo said of the Bears' Kyle

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**Eastern head coach**

Geller and Jeremy Hoog. "(Our defensive coordinator) John Smith mentioned this morning (Wednesday) that they know very well what they're doing and they know how to attack you."

Spoo was asked if he considers his team the hottest in the league

right now.

"I don't know about that," Spoo said. "We're grateful with our position right now."

Eastern is tied with Dayton for the longest winning streak (seven) among Division I-AA scholarship schools. Pennsylvania leads all I-AA schools with a 22-game winning streak.

**Close but no cigar:** The Gateway officially has Tim Carver at 466 career tackles while Eastern has him listed at 470 – which ties the all-time mark. Either way, with 20 straight games of 10 or more tackles, the mark will fall.

**In Gateway action this weekend:** Indiana State hosts No. 23

Western Illinois Saturday at 6 p.m. Entering this season, the Sycamores were 26-4-1 in home night games.

Illinois State takes on a tough 3-0 Hofstra team in a game that will be televised on SportsChannel. Illinois and Hofstra, while not ranked in the Top 25, did receive votes in the Sports Network poll.

Southern Illinois faces Nichols State Saturday afternoon. The Salukis almost pulled a win vs. Division I-A Arkansas State last week, falling 14-9.

Northern Iowa is the only idle team, as they have a week off to prepare for a Sept. 30 showdown at Western.



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as a member of Eastern’s track team. But Southwest also has a good secondary.

“(Southwest Missouri has) very good team speed. They seem to be intact (and) they have a very experienced secondary.”

With the Bears coming off a 35-7 defeat to Division I-A Oklahoma State, Southwest Missouri is looking to get back to the .500 mark.

“They will be coming in believing they can win,” Spoo said. “The task will be a difficult one.”

And containing free safety Travis Richardson is only one out of many players Spoo said the Panthers will have to be aware of.

“We’ll have to throw the ball,” Spoo said. “We have to account

for Richardson with the run because he’ll be around the line of scrimmage a lot. They’ve gone to a different look defensively. I think they have a lot of confidence.

“We’ll just have to execute.”



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# Sports

## Former Panther Moore playing at Southern Indiana

### Junior joins Division II champions

By **MATT ERICKSON**  
Staff writer

Johnny Moore's decision to transfer out of Eastern last season came as a shock to many. Moore, who would have returned as the basketball team's leading scorer, has signed a national letter of intent to play for the University of South-

ern Indiana in Evansville. Moore's transfer after his sophomore season at Eastern is a move that will definitely hurt the Panthers offensively. The team is already looking to rebuild following the loss of leading scorer Derrick Landrus (15.6 points per game) and runner-up Louis Jordan (13.4 ppg) to graduation. Moore was the Mid-Continent Conference's leading three-point shooter last season, shooting 45 percent from beyond the arc. He also shot 43 percent from the floor and made 70 percent of his free throw attempts. "Of the other choices I had, USI

presented the best offer," Moore told the Evansville Courier. Moore said he was impressed with USI's facilities and personnel. USI is a Division II school, while Eastern is Division I. When transferring from a Division I school to a smaller one, National Collegiate Athletic Association rules don't require that the player sit out for a season. So instead of having to wait a year to play, Moore is eligible immediately. "I didn't want to sit out a year by transferring to a Division I school," Moore told the Evansville Courier. "So why not go where I can play immediately? And why not play for

the best?" By playing "for the best," Moore was referring to USI's Division II National Championship last season. Moore, from Elkhart, Ind., told Eastern head basketball coach Rick Samuels after the 1994-95 season that he wanted to transfer out of Eastern. Moore told the Daily Eastern News in March that he was leaving because of "differences of opinion" with Samuels. "I had a difference with coach Samuels," Moore said after news of his decision to transfer in March. "I couldn't agree with things he said. We tried to work things out, but I thought it would be best to move

on." Moore told the Evansville Courier that he was recruited by several small Division I schools, but a lack of publicity hurt his initial playing chances at USI. Moore and USI coach Bruce Pearl could not be reached for comment, but one of his teammates said Wednesday night that Moore was excited about playing for the Screaming Eagles. "I don't know what is going on with him inside personally," the unidentified player said. "He hasn't talked about why he left there (Eastern), but I do know that he's excited to be here (USI)."



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Eastern's Katie Miorano (left) and Kendra Williamson (right) battle an Evansville player for the ball during the women's soccer game at Lakeside Field Wednesday. The Lady Panthers lost 2-1.

## Evansville claims 2-1 win over booters

By **JOSH HARBECK**  
Staff writer

One of these days, the Lady Panthers' shots will start to find the back of the net. Despite 13 shots on goal, Eastern fell to Evansville University 2-1 Wednesday at Lakeside Field, dropping its record to 3-5. The Lady Panthers had pressure the entire game, but couldn't capitalize on the opportunities at hand. "We're a bit unlucky right now," head coach Steve Ballard said. "Their keeper (Misty Long) made some nice saves." "They (Evansville) were the best team we've played this year," junior midfielder Kathy Fisher said. "They were a very skilled team." Eastern played Evansville tough from beginning to end, and considering the competition, that's quite an accomplishment. "That was our best game," Fisher said. "We kept it up for 90 minutes." "I am really happy with the way we played," Ballard said. "We've played with everyone on

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## Spoo focusing team's attention to upcoming league schedule

By **DAN FIELDS**  
Associate sports editor

One would think that the Panther football team carrying a 3-0 record into this weekend's contest against Southwest Missouri State is an impressive feat. But a perfect nonconference record means nothing when it comes to winning a league title. Eastern's journey to capture its first conference championship since the 1986 season begins Saturday night against the Bears (1-2). The kickoff is slated for 7 p.m. at O'Brien Stadium. Head coach Bob Spoo knows that his team is capable of extending its winning streak to eight games (dating to last season).

"I think we're playing with a great deal of confidence," Spoo said at his weekly press conference. "The belief that we're going to succeed is very strong." But Spoo cautioned that the team is not taking the Bears for granted and that no part of Eastern's its game is flawless. "There's always room for improvement in every aspect of our game, and we have to understand that," Spoo said. "There's no question that we're going to be tested." With the exception of tight end Rick Mullen who is lost for the season with a knee injury, the Panthers have pretty much gone unscathed in this department. "We're in pretty good physical

shape," Spoo said. "We very fortunate in that regard." One of the problems Spoo and his coaching staff wish to take care of is the team's secondary. That's not to say it isn't being corrected. "That's where teams have beat us," Spoo said. "Our kids are working hard as anybody. It has to be a team effort (to win), not just the secondary." The Panthers lost defensive backs Ray McElroy and James Buchanan from last season's team. McElroy is now with the Indianapolis Colts of the National Football League, and it was discovered last year that Buchanan's eligibility had been used up. See **SPOO** page 11

### Gateway coaches preparing squads for conference games

By **PAUL DEMPSEY**  
Sports editor

The Gateway Conference held its first teleconference of the season Wednesday as all seven head coaches and the media were on the line for coaches' comments and questions from members of the press. The most common concern among the coaches was the strength of the Gateway Conference this season, and the fact that it is hard to gauge where

other conference teams stand since non-conference schedules are very different from team to team. "I think everybody's trying to get an identity," Illinois State coach Jim Heacock said. "I look at each team (in the Gateway) and I dread playing them. I think every team is capable (of winning). It's going to be a real tough league and a real physical league." See **GATEWAY** page 10